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Remarks

A. Pending Claims

Claims 4904-4927 and 5396-5423 are currently pending.

B. Double Patenting Rejections

The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 4904-4927 and 5396-5423 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of copending Application Nos. 09/841,290; 09/841,295; and 09/841,501. Applicant respectfully disagrees with these rejections. To expedite the case, however, a terminal disclaimer for the applications will be provided as a separate document.

C. Additional Remarks

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant believes that no fees are due with the filing of this document. If an extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any fees are required, please appropriately charge those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-08000/EBM.

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